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Farm Placement

WORKERS ON CALIFORNIA FARMS - MARCH 1940 AND BY MONTHS FROM JANUARY 1943

Based on Census Data and Weekly Farm Labor Reports by the Agricultural Extension Service and Department of Employment

(Data refer to the 15th of each month except for March 1940, which are for the last week of the month)

YEAR & MONTH	TOTAL Cols. 2,3,6 7 & 8	Farmers & unpaid family workers	Hired Domestic Workers			Foreign contract workers	Prisoners of war	Volunteers and misc	Self-employed included in Col 2
			Total (4 + 5)	Temporary	Year-round				
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1940: March	260,000	140,000	120,000	70,000	50,000	—	—	—	105,000
1943: January	254,500	120,000	130,000	70,000	60,000	3,000		1,500	111,100
February	249,500	120,000	125,000	65,000	60,000	3,000		1,500	111,100
March	252,500	125,000	121,000	60,000	61,000	4,000		2,500	111,100
April	285,500	125,000	146,500	85,000	61,500	11,000		3,000	111,200
May	314,500	125,000	172,000	110,000	62,000	14,000		3,500	111,200
June	340,000	130,000	187,500	125,000	62,500	16,500		6,000	111,200
July	356,000	140,000	184,000	120,000	64,000	20,000		12,000	111,200
August	382,000	145,000	196,000	130,000	66,000	26,000		15,000	111,200
September	401,000	155,000	208,000	140,000	68,000	26,000		12,000	111,200
October	368,000	140,000	195,000	125,000	70,000	24,000		9,000	111,200
November	315,000	130,000	160,000	90,000	70,000	20,000		5,000	111,200
December	293,700	125,000	152,000	83,000	69,000	14,500	200	2,000	111,200
1944: January	288,200	125,000	150,000	80,000	70,000	12,000	200	1,000	111,300
February	293,100	125,000	153,000	82,000	71,000	13,000	600	1,500	111,300
March	294,700	125,000	149,000	76,000	73,000	19,000	200	1,500	111,300
April	316,000	125,000	166,000	91,000	75,000	23,000	0	2,000	111,400
May	357,200	125,000	205,000	125,000	80,000	24,000	200	3,000	111,400
June	366,500	130,000	206,000	126,000	80,000	26,000	500	4,000	111,400
July	392,600	140,000	213,000	131,000	82,000	33,000	600	6,000	111,500
August	408,900	145,000	217,000	135,000	82,000	36,600	800	9,500	111,500
September	433,500	155,000	234,000	149,000	85,000	36,000	1,500	7,000	111,500
October	395,000	135,000	215,000	130,000	85,000	35,000	4,000	6,000	111,600
November	343,500	125,000	181,000	97,000	84,000	32,000	2,500	3,000	111,600
December	341,400	125,000	181,000	97,000	84,000	30,000	3,400	2,000	111,600
1945: January	334,900	125,000	184,500	98,500	86,000	20,400	4,000	1,000	111,700
February	321,300	125,000	172,700	86,500	86,200	18,900	4,000	700	111,800
March	315,200	125,000	161,800	75,000	86,800	23,800	4,000	600	111,800
April	322,300	127,000	164,500	76,500	88,000	27,000	3,200	600	111,800
May	373,500	128,000	209,200	120,000	89,200	28,000	7,400	900	111,900
June	387,900	135,000	215,900	126,000	89,900	28,000	8,000	1,000	111,900
July	418,600	150,000	224,400	133,000	91,400	31,700	7,500	5,000	112,000
August	437,400	155,000	237,500	145,000	92,500	32,400	8,500	4,000	112,000
September	491,800	155,000	291,200	198,000	93,200	30,000	10,000	5,600	112,100
October	447,800	135,000	268,800	175,000	93,800	26,200	13,000	4,800	112,100
November	371,700	130,000	203,000	110,000	93,000	23,200	14,500	1,000	112,100
December	355,500	125,000	195,000	102,000	93,000	20,200	14,500	800	112,200
1946: January	348,000	125,000	193,000	102,500	90,500	20,000	10,000	—	112,200
February	327,700	125,000	181,000	90,000	91,000	19,300	2,400		112,300
March	314,000	125,000	170,400	78,000	92,400	17,300	1,300		112,300
April	315,400	125,000	173,700	80,000	93,700	15,500	1,200		112,400
May	379,300	130,000	230,000	136,000	94,000	16,900	2,400		112,400
June	386,200	135,000	231,500	133,000	98,500	17,300	2,400		112,500
July	412,000	145,000	247,000	147,000	100,000	20,000	—		112,500
August	421,700	150,000	251,000	150,000	101,000	20,700			112,500
September	511,200	150,000	342,000	240,000	102,000	19,200			112,500
October	444,000	140,000	286,000	184,000	102,000	18,000			112,500
November	376,400	135,000	227,000	125,000	102,000	14,400			112,500
December	355,800	130,000	212,000	111,000	101,000	13,800			112,500

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1947: January	365,900	135,000	215,100	115,000	100,100	15,800			112,500
February	339,500	135,000	190,300	90,000	100,300	14,200			112,600
March	324,800	136,000	175,000	74,000	101,000	13,800			112,600
April	345,800	137,000	196,000	94,000	102,000	12,800			112,700
May	401,100	135,000	252,700	150,000	102,700	13,400			112,700
June	387,800	138,000	236,000	133,000	103,000	13,800			112,800
July	389,500	140,000	235,900	130,000	105,900	13,600			112,800
August	457,000	150,000	293,400	187,000	106,400	13,600			112,800
September	497,800	155,000	326,400	220,000	106,400	16,400			112,800
October	489,100	145,000	326,300	220,000	106,300	17,800			112,800
November	419,100	140,000	261,000	155,000	106,000	18,100			112,900
December	377,600	129,600	235,000	130,000	105,000	13,000			112,900
1948: January	344,800	130,000	207,000	105,000	102,000	7,800			112,900
February	314,600	125,000	182,000	80,000	102,000	7,600			113,000
March	310,600	130,000	173,000	70,000	103,000	7,600			113,000
April	335,000	145,000	183,500	83,500	100,000	6,500			113,000
May	375,000	145,000	223,700	123,700	100,000	6,300			113,000
June	412,000	151,000	252,500	152,500	100,000	8,500			113,000
July	420,000	155,000	256,500	156,500	100,000	8,500			113,000
August	403,000	153,000	242,500	142,500	100,000	7,500			113,000
September	510,000	164,000	338,500	238,500	100,000	7,500			113,000
October	484,500	155,000	319,200	221,200	98,000	10,300			113,000
November	428,000	143,000	277,000	182,000	95,000	8,000			113,000
December	390,000	140,000	242,700	147,700	95,000	7,300			113,000
1949: January	370,000	140,000	223,000	128,000	95,000	7,000			113,000
February	351,000	142,000	202,500	105,500	97,000	6,500			113,000
March	324,500	145,000	174,200	76,200	98,000	5,300			113,000
April	336,500	146,000	184,700	84,700	100,000	5,800			113,200
May	398,000	152,000	241,500	140,500	101,000	4,500			113,200
June	427,000	154,000	269,200	167,200	102,000	3,800			113,200
July	423,500	158,000	262,000	160,000	102,000	3,500			113,200
August	440,000	158,000	278,700	175,700	103,000	3,300			113,200
September	490,000	160,000	326,900	222,900	104,000	3,100			113,200
October	524,000	157,000	363,000	259,000	104,000	4,000			113,200
November	450,000	155,000	291,000	189,000	102,000	4,000			113,200
December	400,000	155,000	237,500	135,500	102,000	7,500			113,200
1950: January	365,500	155,500	202,000	100,400	101,600	8,000			113,200
February	345,500	155,000	181,800	79,800	102,000	8,700			113,200
March	326,000	155,000	163,000	61,000	102,000	8,000			113,200
April	352,000	156,000	189,000	86,000	103,000	7,000			113,200
May	394,000	159,000	228,400	122,700	105,700	6,600			113,200
June	420,500	161,300	253,500	146,800	106,700	5,700			113,200
July	424,500	164,500	254,000	147,000	107,000	6,000			113,200
August	432,000	164,500	261,300	154,000	107,300	6,200			113,200
September	480,000	165,000	307,300	200,000	107,300	7,700			113,200
October	492,000	163,800	320,400	213,200	107,200	7,800			113,200
November	421,000	158,800	254,300	149,000	105,300	7,900			113,200
December	393,600	156,700	226,800	124,300	102,500	10,100			113,200
1951: January	376,500	156,000	209,700	107,200	102,500	10,800			113,200
February	362,000	156,000	194,700	91,700	103,000	11,300			113,200
March	334,000	155,000	167,600	64,600	103,000	11,400			113,200
April	352,000	157,000	182,000	78,000	104,000	13,000			113,200
May	402,000	159,000	228,000	122,000	106,000	15,000			113,200
June	432,000	160,000	252,800	145,800	107,000	19,200			113,200
July	419,000	163,000	236,700	128,700	108,000	19,300			113,200
August	436,000	166,000	250,800	141,800	109,000	19,200			113,200
September	508,000	166,000	316,800	206,800	110,000	25,200			113,200
October	528,500	161,000	331,300	219,300	112,000	36,200			113,200
November	444,000	159,000	260,700	148,700	112,000	24,300			113,200
December	409,000	156,600	234,100	124,700	109,400	18,300			113,200

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	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1952: January	396,000	157,000	222,300	115,600	106,700	16,700			113,200
February	388,500	159,300	214,800	108,500	106,300	14,400			113,200
March	355,500	158,700	184,400	79,000	105,400	12,400			113,200
April	370,000	162,000	191,400	83,400	108,000	16,600			113,200
May	419,200	166,200	232,000	122,000	110,000	21,000			113,200
June	450,000	167,000	257,000	148,000	109,000	26,000			113,200
July	440,000	170,000	246,400	137,400	109,000	23,600			113,200
August	451,000	168,000	256,000	146,500	109,500	27,000			113,200
September	518,000	167,000	316,000	207,000	109,000	35,000			113,200
October	505,000	166,000	299,500	189,000	110,500	39,500			113,200
November	437,000	160,300	252,800	144,400	108,400	23,900			113,200
December	406,000	157,000	229,000	121,700	107,300	20,000			113,200
1953: January	390,000	156,700	216,000	109,300	106,700	17,300			113,200
February	387,000	158,800	209,300	102,000	107,300	18,900			113,200
March	365,500	158,000	189,200	81,500	107,700	18,300			114,000
April	385,000	159,000	205,000	95,500	109,500	21,000			114,000
May	441,000	163,000	250,200	136,800	113,400	27,800			114,000
June	461,500	167,000	266,200	147,300	118,900	28,300			114,000
July	470,500	171,000	273,200	152,500	120,700	26,300			114,000
August	471,000	169,200	274,800	154,000	120,800	27,000			114,000
September	536,000	171,000	329,000	206,000	123,000	36,000			114,000
October	529,000	171,000	318,000	195,500	122,500	40,000			114,000
November	470,000	165,800	277,800	158,300	119,500	26,400			114,000
December	433,000	163,300	251,200	133,500	117,700	18,500			114,000
1954 January	412,000	161,000	236,700	121,000	115,700	14,300			114,000
February	393,000	161,000	215,500	99,500	116,000	16,500			114,000
March	386,000	162,200	209,500	93,500	116,000	14,300			114,000
April	409,000	166,300	224,500	106,200	118,300	18,200			114,000
May	464,000	170,000	266,800	145,800	121,000	27,200			114,000
June	482,000	172,800	280,200	159,200	121,000	29,000			114,000
July	485,000	174,600	280,600	158,600	122,000	29,800			114,000
August	491,500	172,800	282,700	161,000	121,700	36,000			114,000
September	543,000	174,000	~~324,300~~ 318,500r	~~200,000~~ 194,200r	124,300	~~44,700~~ 50,500r			114,000
October	538,000	171,700	315,300	191,800	123,500	51,000			114,000
November	470,000	168,200	268,000	147,000	121,000	33,800			114,000
December	442,000	165,500	247,500	128,500	119,000	29,000			114,000
1955: January	421,500	162,500	237,200	120,000	117,200	21,800			114,000
February	412,000	161,500	227,500	111,000	116,500	23,000			114,000
March	400,000	163,500	212,800	95,800	117,000	23,700			114,000
April	419,000	165,500	225,500	106,200	119,300	28,000			114,000
May	468,000	170,000	260,500	139,500	121,000	37,500			114,000
June	511,000	174,500	290,000	167,200	122,800	46,500			114,000
July	496,000	176,000	276,500	152,500	124,000	43,500			114,000
August	510,000	178,300	284,000	158,200	125,800	47,700			114,000
September	580,000	178,500	335,000	208,800	126,200	66,500			114,000
October	553,500	174,000	305,200	180,500	124,700	74,300	18000 PW 27% higher than 1954		114,000
November	473,500	168,700	264,800	144,600	120,200	40,000			114,000
December	438,000	165,200	244,000	124,800	119,200	28,800			114,000

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AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT IN CALIFORNIA, BY TYPE OF WORKER
Based on weekly Farm Labor Reports from 45 counties, and on estimates for counties for which Farm Labor Reports are not submitted
(Data refer to the 15th of each month)

YEAR & MONTH	TOTAL Columns 3,4 &10	Farmers & unpaid family workers	Hired Domestic Workers: Total (5 & 6)	Year-round	Temporary: Total 7,8 & 9	Local	Intrastate Migrant	Interstate Migrant	Foreign Contract Workers
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
	416,500r	159,500r	230,500r	116,500r	114,000r	86,400r			
1956: January	~~421,500~~	~~162,000~~	~~233,000~~	~~118,600~~	~~114,400~~	~~86,800~~	20,900	6,700	26,500
February	~~414,000~~ 412,500r	~~160,000~~ 159,500r	~~225,000~~ 224,000r	~~116,500~~ 116,000r	~~108,500~~ 108,000r	~~85,500~~ 85,000r	17,000	6,000	29,000
March	397,000	159,500	208,000	116,000	92,000	72,200	14,400	5,400	29,500
April	403,000	159,000	212,800	118,000	94,800	75,000	15,000	4,800	31,200
May	480,000	164,500	263,300	120,300	143,000	108,500	26,300	8,200	52,200
June	515,000	167,800	285,800	121,000	164,800	120,000	33,200	11,600	61,400
July	494,000	167,000	272,700	121,200	151,500	115,000	26,500	10,000	54,300
August	505,000	168,300	274,200	122,200	152,000	114,300	26,200	11,500	62,500
September	578,500	169,000	319,800	123,800	196,000	133,700	46,600	15,700	89,700
October	546,500	165,000	289,500	121,700	167,800	125,000	32,200	10,600	92,000
November	448,500	160,400	247,000	118,800	128,200	98,000	22,000	8,200	41,100
December	412,000	156,500	222,600	116,600	106,000	83,700	16,400	5,900	32,900
1957: January	404,000	153,800	223,000	115,200	107,800	82,000	18,200	7,600	27,200
February	385,500	152,500	205,600	117,300	88,300	71,300	12,500	4,500	27,400
March	387,000	153,500	199,500	117,300	82,200	65,000	12,200	5,000	34,000
April	413,000	156,400	218,600	120,400	98,200	78,000	14,200	6,000	38,000

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	416,500r	159,500r	230,500r	116,500r	114,000r	86,400r			
1956: January	~~421,500~~	~~162,000~~	~~233,000~~	~~118,600~~	~~114,400~~	~~86,800~~	20,900	6,700	26,500
February	~~414,000~~ 412,500r	~~160,000~~ 159,500r	~~225,000~~ 224,000r	~~116,500~~ 116,000r	~~108,500~~ 108,000r	~~85,500~~ 85,000r	17,000	6,000	29,000
March	397,000	159,500	208,000	116,000	92,000	72,200	14,400	5,400	29,500
April	403,000	159,000	212,800	118,000	94,800	75,000	15,000	4,800	31,200
May	480,000	164,500	263,300	120,300	143,000	108,500	26,300	8,200	52,200
June	515,000	167,800	285,800	121,000	164,800	120,000	33,200	11,600	61,400
July	494,000	167,000	272,700	121,200	151,500	115,000	26,500	10,000	54,300
August	505,000	168,300	274,200	122,200	152,000	114,300	26,200	11,500	62,500
September	578,500	169,000	319,800	123,800	196,000	133,700	46,600	15,700	89,700
October	546,500	165,000	289,500	121,700	167,800	125,000	32,200	10,600	92,000
November	448,500	160,400	247,000	118,800	128,200	98,000	22,000	8,200	41,100
December	412,000	156,500	222,600	116,600	106,000	83,700	16,400	5,900	32,900
1957: January	404,000	153,800	223,000	115,200	107,800	82,000	18,200	7,600	27,200
February	385,500	152,500	205,600	117,300	88,300	71,300	12,500	4,500	27,400
March	387,000	153,500	199,500	117,300	82,200	65,000	12,200	5,000	34,000
April	413,000	156,400	218,600	120,400	98,200	78,000	14,200	6,000	38,000

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Feb., 1957:
4.4% migrants

Sept. '56
10.8% migrants

(r) Revised per Census data.